Traffic Stops Leads to Drug and Weapon Charges-Rehoboth Beach

Rehoboth Beach- The Delaware State Police have arrested **Jack F. Kelleher**, 21, 0f Rehoboth Beach after a traffic stop led to the discovery of drugs and a weapon.

The incident occurred on May 17, 2020 at approximately 11:29 p.m., when a Trooper observed a Buick Rainier SUV parked in a handicap parking spot at the Royal Farms located at 18904 Coastal Hwy, Rehoboth Beach. The vehicle did not have a handicapped parking placard visible or any handicapped parking permits on file with the Division of Motor Vehicles. The Trooper conducted a traffic stop in the parking lot, and made contact with the driver, John Kelleher, who advised that he did not have a handicapped parking placard. The Trooper observed an odor of marijuana and a subsequent search led to the discovery of approximately 40.37 grams of marijuana and a large machete. A computer inquiry revealed that Kelleher was a person prohibited from possessing a weapon.

Kelleher was taken into custody without incident and transported back to Troop 7 where he was charged with the following:

- Possession With Intent to Deliver a Controlled Substance
- Possession of a Deadly Weapon by a Person Prohibited
- Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon
- Parking in a Handicapped Space

Kelleher was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court and released on \$3050.00 unsecured bond.

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